



Audrey Marie Lentz

September 6, 1936 - September 25, 2024

Audrey Marie Lentz, age 88 of Austin, TX, died September 25, 2024.

Audrey was born on September 6, 1936, to Elmer and Myrtle Schmeling in Watertown, SD. She was raised with her 8 siblings: Lyle, Arlyn, Maxine, Frank, Carol, Donna, Deanna and Jan. The family was raised on a farm north of Watertown. Audrey attended a one room country schoolhouse at Rauville District 13 for K-8 education and then attended public school in Watertown, SD.

Audrey married LeRoy Lentz on May 29, 1955 in St Martin's Lutheran Church in Watertown. They were blessed with four children; Nikki, Scott, Jeff and Lee. After working at several hotel and department stores, she found her calling working for Northwestern Bell. She started employment in Watertown helping customers acquire phone service and assembling the phones prior to installation. Thus began a long career of service with Northwestern Bell and Southwestern Bell in Oklahoma and Texas.

She married Bill Reid May 23, 1987 in Austin. Bill, originally from Cleveland, relocated to Austin and helped Audrey secure her townhome which is filled with many memories. They lived their fullest enjoying each other, traveling, and advancing their individual careers until Bill's death in June 1990.

She married Dan Schuckenbrock May 20, 1995 in Austin. With Dan she

enjoyed many trips to see family and friends. One year Southwest Airlines gave a free ticket for every purchased ticket, a companion travel ticket. They did not let that offer go to waste. Dan and Audrey traveled extensively, sharing countless wonderful adventures together until Dan's death in January 2021.

Audrey loved her family the most. She was a loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She really enjoyed visiting family and was always prepared to welcome anyone anytime! Audrey also thoroughly enjoyed dancing and was cherished by her friends. She will be greatly missed by her adoring extended family.

Audrey is survived by her four children; Nikki (Doug) Keffeler, Watertown, SD, Scott (Lynne) Lentz, Watertown, SD, Jeff (Lynne) Lentz, Chandler, AZ, Lee Lentz, Austin, TX, her sisters; Carol Flores, Los Gatos, CA, Donna (Dick) Auby, Hills, TX, Deanna Borns, West Bend, WI, Jan (Jim) Rogerson, Arlington, TX, and her companion, James Mathenia. She taught him to dance and they went every week. She is also survived by 11 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, and many beloved nieces, nephews, and friends.

Audrey was preceded in death by her parents and grandparents, her brothers; Arlyn, Lyle, and Frank Schmeling and an infant brother in childhood, her sister; Maxine Johnson, her husbands; Bill Reid and Dan Schuckenbrock, and one great grandson Race Engels.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to The Settlement Home for Children where Audrey volunteered and spread joy. <https://www.settlementhome.org/donate/gift-memorial/>

Tribute Wall

JO

“ Audrey will be greatly missed by myself and Armando. We both had a wonderful friendship with her at 24-Hour Fitness. She had an infectious smile and I know she has earned her angel wings.
Jeanne Offerle

Jeanne Offerle - October 06, 2024 at 07:42 AM

RS

“ My deepest sympathies to all Audrey’s family. It seems like us kids kind of grew up together. I have great memories of our visits out to the farm at Rauville. May your wonderful memories of your Mom carry you through this painful time. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Roland Schwandt - October 04, 2024 at 12:23 PM

CM

“ I remember she was beautiful, could sew, and a good mom!! She is at peace now,I pray for her sisters comfort!! Char muller

Char Muller - October 02, 2024 at 11:15 PM

GL

“ Audrey and I met in our Silver Sneakers gym classes. She was a real card, always dressed to the nines, always chipper and ready for a laugh. We loved to go to eat lunch after class and undo all the work we had just done. I will miss her as many of our classmates will also.

Gail Lynch - October 02, 2024 at 05:55 PM

PA

“ I have so many wonderful memories of Audrey-how she opened up her outdoor patio during the pandemic when staying indoors became painful, so many nights at the pool just visiting. How I will miss sitting outside in the evening with her, James, Eugene, Kathy and other neighbors who just happened by. Dear Audrey, I cherish these memories, they will be missed, YOU will be missed. Pat Armstrong

Pat Armstrong - October 02, 2024 at 09:18 AM

DS

“ Audrey was a beautiful soul. She was always funny, kind and generous. She will be missed. Dean Schmeling (Nephew)

Dean Schmeling - October 01, 2024 at 10:16 PM

SG

“ Disfrute un poco tiempo pude asistir a mi señora Audrey y era tan facil para aprender akererla con el alma ❤️ mr Audrey buele buele mi señora y me siento honrrada de contar sus ultimos suspiros atenta mente su caregiver Sonia garcia 💖❤️

Sonia garcia - October 01, 2024 at 06:40 PM

CF

“ No doubt Audrey could run faster than most other kids. She would win in tag every time. She was an excellent student and seldom did anyone get better grades than her. She was a force to be reckoned with.

carol Flored - October 01, 2024 at 05:22 PM